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1. The garrison at Torun is commanded by a General Laszlo [redacted] 50X1-HUM
[redacted] A motorized heavy artillery regiment is stationed
in barracks of the pre-war 63rd Infantry Division. Garages were built in 50X1-HUM
1950 for guns and motor vehicles; the number of guns is estimated at 30,
with calibers of 18-21 cm.. A light artillery regiment is stationed in
forts numbered 11, 12, and 13, near the firing range.
2. An officers' artillery school is located in Mokre suburb at Torun. The
school commandant is a General Hulej [redacted] 50X1-HUM
[redacted] The period of training at the school is 50X1-HUM
three years. Secondary school education is required, but if a candidate is
appointed by the Party the educational standard is lower. Candidates take
a preliminary examination. Graduates leave the school with a rank of 2nd
lieutenant and must undertake to serve 12 years in the army. Reserve offi-
cers are also trained.
3. A Military District HQ (DOW) is located on ul. 1-go Maja in Bydgoszcz. A
horse-drawn light artillery regiment is at Zory, near Pszczyna (Q50/x79),
and an infantry regiment at Zabrze.
4. In Zary (Sorau) there is an infantry division Hq, an infantry regiment, and
a motorized antiaircraft artillery regiment. Barracks for the latter are
alongside the former German airfield. Personnel, numbering about 1,000,
wear air force uniforms. The unit consists of about six batteries of six
85 mm guns and two batteries of six 37 mm guns. The 37 mm guns have standard
ammunition, antitank with percussion fuses and antiaircraft with time fuses.
Ammunition for 85 mm guns is antipersonnel, antiaircraft, and armor-piercing.
5. On 2 May 1951, a motorized artillery unit arrived at Zary by rail. The
transport consisted of two trains of 40 cars each. Each flatcar was loaded
with one truck and one gun or with two trucks. On the first train were four
batteries, each with six 76 mm guns, and on the second were three batteries,
each with six 45 mm antitank guns. Gun crews were in the transport. They
were dressed in air force uniforms although the equipment was not antiaircraft.
6. The infantry regiment at Prudnik (Neustadt), about 20 km southeast of Wysa,
has a strength of 2,500 to 3,000.

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